

WISCONSIN FARM REPORTER

Prices Received by Farmers

The preliminary May 2014 average price received by farmers for corn in Wisconsin was \$4.55 per bushel according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service — Agricultural Prices report. This was equal to the April full month price but \$2.22 less than May 2013.

The preliminary May soybean price, at \$14.30 per bushel, was up \$0.30 from April but down \$0.30 from the previous May.

The preliminary May oat price was \$4.25 per bushel, down \$0.47 from the April price and a decrease of \$0.14 from May 2013.

The preliminary all hay price in Wisconsin averaged \$163.00 per ton in May, up \$6.00 from April but \$100.00 less than May 2013. The preliminary alfalfa hay price averaged \$175.00 per ton in May, up \$5.00 from April but down \$100.00 from the previous May. The preliminary other hay price averaged \$115.00, an increase of \$7.00 from April but a decrease of \$100.00 from last year.

The preliminary May average price was \$25.60 per cwt for milk, down \$0.70 from April but up \$5.20 from a year ago.

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Thees received by Furniers								
MICCONCIN	May	April	May ¹					
WISCONSIN	2013	2014	2014					
		Dollars						
Corn Bu	6.77	4.55	4.55					
Soybeans Bu	14.60	14.00	14.30					
Oats Bu	4.39	4.72	4.25					
Potatoes, allCwt	8.65	10.70	10.70					
Fresh Cwt	5.20	11.50	10.50					
Processing Cwt	10.40	9.50	9.50					
Alfalfa hay, baled Ton	275.00	170.00	175.00					
Other hay, baled Ton	215.00	108.00	115.00					
Milk, all Cwt	20.40	26.30	25.60					
Milk cows ² Hd	NA	1900.00	NA					
LINUTED STATES	May	April	May ¹					
UNITED STATES	2013	2014	2014					
		Dollars						
Corn Bu	6.97	4.71	4.71					
Soybeans Bu	14.90	14.30	14.50					
Oats Bu	4.45	3.94	4.15					
Potatoes, all Cwt	12.89	11.29	11.44					
Fresh Cwt	9.33	11.57	(D)					
Processing Cwt	8.75	8.90	(D)					
Alfalfa hay, baled Ton	221.00	206.00	224.00					
Other hay, baled Ton	153.00	151.00	150.00					
Milk, allCwt	19.70	25.30	24.70					
Milk cowsHd	NA	1810.00	NA					
Steers & Heifers Cwt	127.00	150.00	148.00					
Cows Cwt	81.80	103.00	104.00					
CalvesCwt	157.00	222.00	228.00					
Hogs, allCwt	68.60	88.80	83.60					
Spring Wheat Bu	7.84	6.61	6.84					
Winter Wheat, all Bu	7.49	7.08	7.24					
Barley, all Bu	6.45	5.93	6.18					
Dry Edible Beans Cwt	36.20	36.50	40.10					
Apples, fresh UseLb	NA	.396	.349					

(NA) Not Available (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. ¹ Preliminary ² Animals sold for dairy herd replacement only. Prices estimated in January, April, July, and October.

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This Farm Reporter contains the results from the following surveys. Thanks for your help!

Dairy Products Report

Prices Received Report

May Milk Prices

Wisconsin farmers received an average price of \$26.30 per hundredweight (cwt.) for their milk in April 2014 according to the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service *Agricultural Prices* report. The May 2014 price is expected to fall 70 cents to \$25.60 per cwt.

The expected U.S. milk price for May is \$24.70 per cwt., 90 cents lower than Wisconsin's price and 60 cents lower than the April U.S. price. Twenty of the 23 major milk producing states are expecting an decrease in price from April to May. New Mexico and Virginia are expecting no change in price, while Florida's price is expected to rise.

The Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME) 40-pound block cheese price closed at \$1.9600 per pound on May 30, while barrels were \$1.9325 per pound. The CME butter price was \$2.3000 per pound.

For the week ending May 24, 2014, the Agricultural Marketing Service U.S. weekly 40-pound block cheese price averaged \$2.1128 per pound, and 500 pound barrels adjusted to 38 percent moisture averaged \$2.0959 per pound. The U.S. butter price was \$2.1192 per pound.

Milk Prices 1/

	May	2013	April	April 2014		Preliminary May 2014	
Selected states	Price	Fat	Price	Fat	Price	Fat	
Selected states	per cwt.	test	per cwt.	test	per cwt.	test	
	Dollars	Percent	Dollars	Percent	Dollars	Percent	
Milk for all uses							
WI	20.40	3.75	26.30	3.77	25.60	3.72	
CA	18.23	3.66	23.41	3.66	22.30	3.61	
ID	19.10	3.67	24.50	3.74	23.70	3.67	
MI	20.00	3.61	25.40	3.70	25.00	3.63	
MN	20.50	3.82	26.60	3.89	25.90	3.85	
NM	18.20	3.47	23.40	3.50	23.40	3.50	
NY	20.50	3.67	26.30	3.77	25.90	3.71	
PA	20.90	3.65	26.80	3.73	26.50	3.70	
TX	19.80	3.75	26.20	3.79	26.00	3.76	
US	19.70	3.68	25.30	3.71	24.70	3.66	

1/Preliminary average buying prices received for milk of average test. All milk price published by NASS reflects the gross milk price received by farmers. Source: USDA, NASS.

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Farms and Land in Farms, 2013

The total number of farms in Wisconsin in 2013 was 69,800, according to the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service, Iowa Field Office. This is unchanged from the previous year but a decrease of 1,400 farms from 2011. This decrease came predominantly from farms with sales of agricultural products and government payments in the \$1,000-\$9,999 range.

Total land in farms in Wisconsin in 2013 was unchanged from the previous two years at 14.6 million acres. Farms in the \$500,000 and over sales class increased by 400,000 acres between 2011 and 2013.

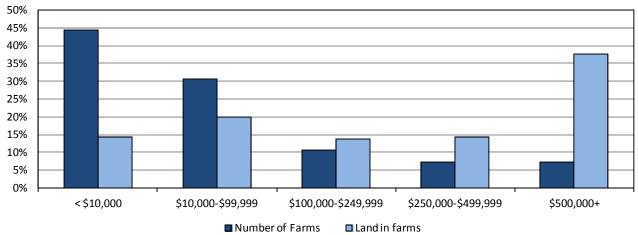
Wisconsin's average farm size in 2013 was 209 acres, unchanged from a year ago. The average farm size for those in the \$500,000 and over economic sales class increased over the past five years from an average of 983 acres in 2008 to an average of 1,078 acres in 2013.

NASS estimates are revised periodically to provide a better foundation for current and future estimates. Revisions are made when sufficient data become available to check the accuracy of the original estimates. Revisions may also be based on a re-evaluation of previous survey data when making current estimates to improve survey-to-survey relationships. When the Census of Agriculture becomes available every 5 years, all estimates made during these 5 years are reviewed for possible revisions.

Farms and Land in Farms, Wisconsin, by Sales Class,* 2008-2013

	Farms and Land	in Farms, wisco	onsin, by Sales (Jiass,* 2008-201.	3	
	\$1,000-	\$10,000-	\$100,000-	\$250,000-	\$500,000	Total
	\$9,999	\$99,999	\$249,999	\$499,999	& Over	Total
Number of Farms						
2008	37,700	20,700	8,900	5,000	4,100	76,400
2009	36,200	20,900	8,700	5,100	4,000	74,900
2010	35,300	20,900	7,700	5,100	4,200	73,200
2011	32,700	21,000	7,700	5,000	4,800	71,200
2012	31,000	21,300	7,500	5,000	5,000	69,800
2013	31,000	21,200	7,500	5,000	5,100	69,800
Land in Farms, 1,000 acres						
2008	2,650	3,280	2,580	2,460	4,030	15,000
2009	2,500	3,160	2,440	2,500	4,300	14,900
2010	2,300	3,100	2,300	2,500	4,500	14,700
2011	2,200	3,000	2,180	2,120	5,100	14,600
2012	2,100	2,900	2,000	2,100	5,500	14,600
2013	2,100	2,900	2,000	2,100	5,500	14,600
Average Farm Size, acres						
2008	70	158	290	492	983	196
2009	69	151	280	490	1,075	199
2010	65	148	299	490	1,071	201
2011	67	143	283	424	1,063	205
2012	68	136	267	420	1,100	209
2013	68	137	267	420	1,078	209





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2012 Census of Agriculture

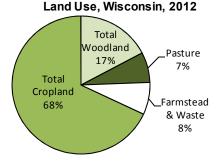
The Census of Agriculture is a complete count of America's farms and ranches and the people who operate them. The Census is conducted every five years and provides facts and figures on virtually every aspect of agriculture, including number of farms and types of farm operations, the economic aspects of farm production, and the demographics of farm operators. It provides a source of comprehensive agricultural data for every county in the nation. For Census purposes, any place from which \$1,000 of agricultural products were produced and sold, or normally would have been sold, during the Census year is considered a farm.

Complete results of the 2012 Census are available at: http://www.agcensus.usda.gov/

LAND USE: Census of Agriculture, Wisconsin, 2012

Use 2012		2007	Change
	Acr	Percent	
Total Land in Farms	14,568,926	15,190,804	-4
Total Cropland	9,910,991	10,116,279	-2
Harvested Cropland	9,149,273	8,884,628	+3
Cropland Pastured	162,095	391,728	-59
Idle Cropland 1/	523,107	761,695	-31
Failed Cropland	65,303	60,829	+7
Summer Fallow	11,213	17,399	-36
Total Woodland	2,526,754	2,920,214	-13
Woodland Pastured	472,079	526,008	-10
Woodland Not Pastured	2,054,675	2,394,206	-14
Permanent Pasture	1,034,738	1,065,814	-3
Farmstead & Waste	1,096,443	1,088,497	+1

1/ Includes cropland used for cover crops or soil improvement but not harvested, pastured or grazed. Source: USDA, NASS



SELECTED OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS FOR PRINCIPAL, SECOND, AND THIRD OPERATOR:

Characteristics	All opera-	Principal	Second	Third
Characteristics	tors 1/	operator	operator	operator
All Operators	108,900	69,754	33,906	5,240
Sex of operator:				
Male	75,716	62,408	9,988	3,320
Spouse of principal operator	2,864	(X)	2,791	73
Female	33,184	7,346	23,918	1,920
Spouse of principal operator	22,806	(X)	22,094	712
Primary occupation:				
Farming	51,027	34,760	13,523	2,744
Other	57,873	34,994	20,383	2,496
Place of residence:				
On farm operated	88,305	57,611	27,618	3,076
Not on farm operated	20,595	12,143	6,288	2,164
Days worked off farm:				
None	43,666	28,900	12,518	2,248
Any	65,234	40,854	21,388	2,992
1 to 49 days	8,130	5,118	2,596	416
50 to 99 days	4,058	2,374	1,440	244
100 to 199 days	8,792	5,316	3,099	377
200 days or more	44,254	28,046	14,253	1,955
Years on present farm:				
2 years or less	4,478	2,260	1,627	591
3 or 4 years	5,349	2,828	2,000	521
5 to 9 years	14,311	8,107	5,157	1,047
10 years or more	84,762	56,559	25,122	3,081
Years operating any farm:				
2 years or less	3,361	1,576	1,299	486
3 or 4 years	4,285	2,155	1,619	511
5 to 9 years	12,596	6,977	4,640	979
10 years or more	88,658	59,046	26,348	3,264
Age group:				
Under 25 years	1,865	346	750	769
25 to 34 years	7,689	3,739	2,912	1,038
35 to 44 years	13,521	7,751	4,922	848
45 to 54 years	29,976	18,508	10,397	1,071
55 to 64 years	31,163	21,208	9,155	800
65 to 74 years	17,127	12,248	4,383	496
75 years and over	7,559	5,954	1,387	218
Average age	54.5	56.5	52.2	44.2
Number of persons living in	227,365	191,969	26,615	8,781
household				

(X) Not applicable. 1/ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm. Source: USDA, NASS

FARMS BY NORTH AMERICAN INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM (NAICS): Census of Agriculture, Wisconsin, 2012

Classification	Fai	rms		Land in Farms	,	Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold & Government Payments		
Classification	Number	Percent of all farms	Average Per Farm	Total	Percent of all farms	Average Per Farm	Total	Percent of all farms
		Percent	Ac	res	Percent	Dollars	1,000 dollars	Percent
Oilseed & grain farming	19,730	28.3	294	5,801,416	39.8	152,968	3,018,063	25.2
Vegetable & melon farming	1,318	1.9	267	351,355	2.4	396,397	522,451	4.4
Fruit & tree nut farming	1,264	1.8	171	261,530	1.8	175,868	222,297	1.9
Greenhouse, nursery, & floriculture production	1,754	2.5	79	138,506	1.0	120,158	210,756	1.8
Other Crop Farming 1/	15,719	22.5	116	1,816,798	12.5	15,378	241,721	2.0
Beef cattle farming	10,241	14.7	120	1,225,319	8.4	64,230	657,776	5.5
Cattle feedlots	892	1.3	259	231,298	1.6	282,815	252,271	2.1
Dairy cattle & milk production	10,401	14.9	407	4,233,766	29.1	581,305	6,046,150	50.5
Hog & pig farming	475	0.7	83	39,532	0.3	155,352	73,792	0.6
Poultry & egg production	1,591	2.3	85	135,240	0.9	308,117	490,214	4.1
Sheep & goat farming	1,555	2.2	48	74,876	0.5	17,295	26,894	0.2
Aquaculture & other animal production	4,814	6.9	63	304,290	2.1	45,574	219,395	1.8
All Farms	69,754	100.0	209	14,568,926	100.0	171,772	11,981,780	100.0

^{1/} Includes operations growing crops such as tobacco, hay, sugarbeets, herbs and spices, and hay and grass seeds, or growing a combination of crops with no one crop or family of crops accounting for one-half of the establishment's agricultural production. Source: USDA, NASS

		Dairy F	Products,	Production	by Selected States ar	nd U. S.			
Item and area	April 2013	March 2014	April 2014	Change from last year	Item and area	April 2013	March 2014	April 2014	Change from last year
		1,000 pounds		Percent			1,000 pounds		Percent
CHEESE					CHEESE				
American	376,709	379,309	376,745	n.c.	Provolone	34,037	33,213	30,544	-10
Cheddar					Ricotta	17,724	21,854	19,821	+12
WI	52,418	47,198	46,300	-12	Romano	3,659	3,794	3,808	+4
CA	30,357	32,868	34,175	+13	Other Italian types	5,476	6,941	6,296	+15
ID	35,756	39,659	34,537	-3	Total Italian				
MN	42,427	41,097	47,712	+12	WI	118,377	126,021	122,025	+3
US	278,961	277,503	281,771	+1	CA	119,251	131,589	132,498	+11
Blue & Gorgonzola	7,704	8,062	8,240	+7	US	393,520	426,014	413,877	+5
Brick & Muenster	13,942	13,944	14,277	+2	Swiss	25,916	25,593	25,366	-2
Cream & Neufchatel	63,998	62,896	66,541	+4	All other cheese	13,920	11,138	12,058	-13
Feta	8,663	9,297	9,227	+7	Total cheese				
Gouda	5,183	5,069	4,469	-14	WI	241,858	246,733	241,075	n.c.
Hispanic	19,981	22,310	19,585	-2	CA	191,616	205,954	203,489	+6
Mozzarella					ID	71,699	80,639	69,811	-3
WI	76,669	84,215	81,900	+7	NM	62,375	67,859	64,143	+3
CA	109,836	119,858	123,208	+12	NY	62,240	66,645	61,923	-1
US	302,585	334,358	327,817	+8	US	929,536	963,632	950,385	+2
Parmesan	30,039	25,854	25,591	-15	Source: USDA, NASS				